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Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.56, the reference on the attached form PTO-1449 is being brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. A copy of the cited document is enclosed.

This information is being submitted subsequent to the earlier of the mailing of a final action or the notice of allowance, but

before payment of the issue fee. Accordingly, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(d), the undersigned submits the following certification:

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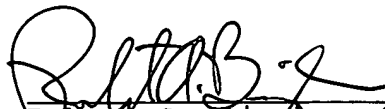
The undersigned hereby certifies that to the knowledge of the undersigned, after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in this statement was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

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A check in the amount of \$180.00 is enclosed to cover the fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i)(1). If any additional fee is required, or to credit any overpayment, please use deposit account No. 09-0945.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner indicate consideration of the cited reference by returning a copy of the attached form PTO-1449 with initials or other appropriate marks.

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